

I. IN THE SPECIFICATION:

A. Please enter the following amended replacement paragraph.

1. On page 8, line 28 to page 9, line 15:

A preferred embodiment of the cover 100 of the present invention will now be described in detail. The cover 100 is illustrated in Figs. 1-5 while the cover 100 in association with the remote control device 102 is illustrated in Figs. 6-8. Turning our attention to Figs. 1-5, the cover 100 comprises a sheath-like or pouch-like enclosure that includes a front member 104 and a rear member 106 as is shown in Figs. 1 and 2. The front member 104 is integrally joined as by molding (i.e., integrally molded) with the rear member 106 at a plurality of rounded surfaces 108 best shown in Figs. 3 and 4 to provide the cover 100 with an integral, unitary (i.e., one piece) construction. As is clearly shown in Fig. 1, the front member 104 exhibits a continuously flat surface which is functional as will be explained herein below. However, the shape of the rear member 106 can vary depending upon the shape of the remote control device 102 for which the cover 100 is intended to be used. In the preferred embodiment illustrated in Figs. 1-5, the rear member 106 has a curved surface which exhibits an oblong dimension as is best shown in Figs. 1, 3 and 5. The rear member 106 having the oblong dimension along the curved surface is integrally joined with the front member 104 having the continuously flat surface at the plurality of rounded surfaces 108. This construction forms the sheath-like or pouch-like enclosure illustrated in Fig. 2.

2. On page 10, lines 19-31:

The cover 100 including the front member 104, rear member 106 and plurality of rounded surfaces 108 exhibits an integral, unitary construction and can be comprised of, for example, a polyurethane compound but many other suitable materials are also available. The polyurethane compound has been selected as a preferred material since it readily conforms to the shape of the remote control device 102, is flexible, elastic, and transparent, and is strong notwithstanding the ~~present~~ presence of the orifice 108. Besides the polyurethane compound, the cover 100 can also be comprised of, for example, latex, polyvinyl chloride, nitrile rubber, silicon, neoprene, or styrenic elastomer. Each of these alternative materials enumerated immediately above also is flexible, elastic, i.e.,

stretchable, and transparent and thus quickly adopts or conforms to the shape of the remote control device 102. Thus, once fitted, the cover 100 snugly fits over an outer housing 114 (see Fig. 8) of the remote control device 102.

3. On page 11, line 25 to page 12, line 15:

The inventive cover 100 is shown being fitted onto the remote control device 102 in Fig. 8. The remote control device 102 is securely held in, for example, the left hand while the inventive cover 100 (as shown in Fig. 1) is aligned therewith with the right hand (see Fig. 8). The remote control device 102 is extended through the orifice 110 shown underneath in Fig. 1. The cover 100 is then wrapped about an upper end 120 of the outer housing 114 of the remote control device 102 as is shown in Fig. 8. With a top end 122 of the cover 100 anchored upon the upper end 120 of the outer housing 114, a bottom end 124 of the flexible-elastic cover 100 is stretched downward to a lower end 126 of the remote control device 102. This action stretches the flexible-elastic cover 100 and opens the orifice 110 in the rear member 106 enabling the remote control device 102 to be surrounded by the cover 100. Once the cover 100 surrounds the remote control device 102, the bottom end 124 of the cover 100 is anchored around the lower end 126 of the outer housing 114 of the remote control device 102. The bottom end 124 of the cover 100 is then released. Thereafter, the flexible-elastic cover 100 contracts and the plurality of rounded surfaces 108 enable the rear member 106 of the cover 100 to partially relax. This action causes the lip 112 of the orifice 110 on the rear member 106 to close so that the remote control device 102 is substantially covered as is shown in Fig. 7. The continuously flat surface of the front member 104 is shown closely hugging the surface of the control keypad 116 of the remote control device 102 in Fig. 6. This close fitting feature in combination with the transparency of the cover 100 facilitates the operation of the plurality of keys 118 on the control keyboard 116. Removal of the disposable cover 100 is accomplished by reversing the order of the steps set forth in the this paragraph.

4. On page 14, lines 5-24:

Turning our attention to Figs. 9-13, the cover 200 comprises a sheath-like or pouch-like enclosure that includes the front member 204 and the rear member 206 as is shown

in Figs. 9 and 10. The front member 204 is integrally joined as by molding (i.e., integrally molded) with the rear member 206 at a plurality of rounded surfaces 208 best shown in Fig. 13 to provide the cover 200 with an integral, unitary (*i.e., one piece*) construction. As is clearly shown in Fig. 9, the front member 204 exhibits a continuously flat surface which, as in the preferred embodiment, is functional in providing visual communication with the remote control device 102. The front member 204 also exhibits an oblong dimension as shown in Fig. 13. In the first alternative embodiment illustrated in Figs. 9-13, the rear member 206 has a converging surface as is best shown in Figs. 9, 10 and 12. The converging surface of the rear member 206 includes a first slanted surface 230 and a second slanted surface 232 each of which converge into the lip or edge 212 of the orifice 210 as is clearly shown in Figs. 9, 10 and 12. The rear member 206 having the converging surface (which comprises the first slanted member 230 and the second slanted member 232) is integrally joined with and opposite to the front member 204 having the continuously flat surface and oblong dimension at the plurality of rounded surfaces 208. In other words, the first slanted surface 230 and the second slanted surface 232 are each integrally joined with the front member 204 at the plurality of rounded surfaces 208 as is clearly illustrated in Fig. 12. This construction forms the sheath-like or pouch-like enclosure illustrated in Fig. 10.

5. On page 17, line 27 to page 18, line 9:

Turning our attention to Figs. 14-20, the cover 300 comprises a sheath-like or pouch-like enclosure that includes the front member 304 and the rear member 306 as is shown in Figs. 14 and 15. The front member 304 is integrally joined as by molding (i.e., integrally molded) with the rear member 306 at the plurality of rounded surfaces 308, *i.e.,* radiused round edges, best shown in Figs. 14 and 15 to provide the cover 300 with an integral, unitary (*i.e., one piece*) construction. As is clearly shown in Fig. 14, the front member 304 exhibits a continuously flat surface which, as in the preferred embodiment, is functional in providing visual communication with the remote control device 102. In the second alternative embodiment illustrated in Figs. 14-20, the rear member 306 has a rectangular surface which is also substantially flat as is best shown in Figs. 15 and 18. The rear member 306 having the rectangular surface which is substantially flat, *i.e., a*

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substantially flat rectangular surface, is integrally joined with the front member 304 having the continuously flat surface at the plurality of rounded surfaces 308, i.e., radiused round edges. This construction forms the sheath-like or pouch-like enclosure illustrated in Figs. 14 and 15.